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THIS Life is but a *Penelope*'s Web, in which we are always doing and undoing: A Sea that lies open to all Winds, which ſometimes within, and ſometimes without, never ceaſes to blow violently upon us: A weary Journey through extreme Heats and Colds, over high Mountains, ſteep Rocks, dangerous Deſarts. And, thus we paſs our Time away in weaving at this Web, in rowing at this Oar, and in paſſing this miſerable Way.——What then, is there in Life, my Soul! that thou ſhould'ſt ſo much deſire it? Nay, what Evil is there not in Life?

There is no Period of it exempt from Miſery. We enter it in *Tears:* We paſs through it in *Sweat* and *Toil*, and many *Afflictions:* We end it always in *Sorrow*. Great and Little, Rich and Poor, not one in the whole World can plead Immunity from this Condition.

Man, in this Point, is worſe than all other Creatures: He is born unable to ſupport himſelf; neither receiving in his firſt Years any Pleaſure, nor giving to others any Thing but Trouble, and before the Age of Diſcretion paſſing infinite Dangers: Only herein he is leſs unhappy than in other Ages, becauſe in this he has no Senſe nor Apprehenſion of his Miſery.——And, can we think there is any ſo void of Reaſon, that, if it were granted to him to live always a Child, would make choice of ſuch a Life? So then it is evident, That not ſimply *to live* is deſirable; but *to live well and happy* ſhould be the Object of all our Endeavours, and of all our Intentions.

Does the Child eſcape all thoſe Dangers incident to that Stage of Life, and *grow up?* His Troubles likewiſe grow up with him. He is transferred from the Nurſe to the Subjection of the School Maſter, and then, if he ſtudies, it is ever with repining; and, if he plays, it is never but with Fear.——This whole Age, while he is under the Charge of another, is unto him no better than a Priſon: And therefore he longs for, and only aſpires to that Age, in which, freed from the Tutelage of another, he may become Maſter of himſelf; puſhing Time forward, as it were with his Shoulder, that he may the ſooner enjoy his hoped for Liberty. In ſhort, he deſires nothing more than to ſee the End of this Age, which he looks upon as Bondage and Slavery, and to enter upon the Beginning of his Youth. And what is the Beginning of Youth, but the Death of Infancy? And the Beginning of Manhood, but the Death of Youth? Or, what is the Beginning of Tomorrow, but the Death of the preſent Day?——Therefore ſuch a one implicitly deſires his Death; and judges his Life miſerable; and cannot be reputed in a State of Happineſs or Contentment.

We will now ſuppoſe our *Youth at Liberty*, in that Age he ſo much pined after, wherein he has his Choice to take the Way of Virtue or of Vice, and either to chuſe Reaſon or Paſſion for his Guide. His Paſſion entertains him with a Thouſand Delights, prepares for him a Thouſand Baits, and preſents him with a Thouſand worldly Pleaſures to ſurprize him: Vicious and polluted Pleaſures, which ever held him in a reſtleſs Fever: Pleaſures, that at laſt end in Repentance, and like Sweatmeats are of a bad Digeſtion: Pleaſures that are bought with Pain, and in a Moment periſh, but leave behind a laſting Guilt, and long Remorſe of Conſcience. I will not mention the Miſchiefs, Quarrels, Debates, Wounds, Murders, Baniſhments, Sickneſs, and other Dangers, whereinto ſometimes the Incontinency, and ſometimes the Inſolency of this ill guided Age does plunge Men. Behold then the Life of a *young Man*, who, rid of the Government of his Parents and Maſters, abandons himſelf to all the Exorbitances of his unruly Paſſions: which, like an unclean Spirit poſſeſſing him, throws him ſometimes into the Water, and then into the Fire; ſometimes carries him clear over a Rock, and at other Times flings him headlong to the Bottom.

And, even if he follows *Reaſon* for his Guide, he muſt meet with wonderful Difficulties: For he muſt reſolve to fight in every Part of the Field, and at every Step to be in Conflict, as having the Enemy in Front, in Flank, and in the Rear, continually aſſailing him: And this Enemy is all that can delight him, all that he ſees near, or far off. This is no leſs than *the World* itſelf, our greateſt Enemy, and muſt therefore be overcome.

But, beſides the *World*, he has a Thouſand treacherous Enemies *within* him, amongſt whom his Paſſion is none of the leaſt; which waits for an Occaſion to ſurprize him, and betray him to his Luſt. It is GOD only, that can make him chuſe the Path of Virtue: And it is GOD only, that can keep him in it to the End, and make him victorious in all his Combats. But, alas! how few they are that enter into it, and of thoſe few, how many that retire again! So that let a Man follow the one Way or the other, he muſt either ſubject himſelf to a tyrannical Paſſion, or undertake a weary and continual Combat; wilfully throw himſelf into the Arms of Deſtruction, or fetter himſelf, as it were, in the Stocks; eaſily carried away with the Current of the Water, or painfully ſtemming the impetuous Tide.

Behold then the Happineſs of a young Man! who, in his Youth, having drank his full Draught of the World's vain and deceivable Pleaſures, is overtaken by them with ſuch a dull Heavineſs and Aſtoniſhment, as Drunkards feel on the Morrow after a Debauch, or Gluttons after a plentiful Feaſt; who are ſo overpreſſed with the Exceſſes of the former Day, that the very Remembrance of it creates a Loathing. And even he that has made the ſtouteſt Reſiſtance, feels himſelf ſo weary, and ſo bruiſed and broken with this continual Conflict, that he is either upon the Point to yield, or to die. ——Yet, this is all the Good, all the Contentment of this flouriſhing Age, by Children ſo earneſtly deſired, and by thoſe, who have experienced it, ſo heartily lamented.

Should he arrive to the State of what is called *perfect Age*, in which Men have no other Thoughts but to purchaſe to themſelves Wiſdom and Reſt; he will even then find, that it is herein only perfect, becauſe all Imperfections of human Nature, hidden before under the Simplicity of Childhood, or the Lightneſs of Youth, appear at *this* Age in Perfection, ſpeaking even of thoſe that are eſteemed the wiſeſt and moſt happy, in the Opinion of the World; who are continually purſued by, and ſacrifice their Reſt, Quiet, and Time to *Avarice* and *Ambition*, as I will ſhew you more at large, on ſome other Occaſion.

However, every Man promiſes himſelf great Contentment in *old Age*; hopes then to repoſe himſelf without further Care, and to keep himſelf at Eaſe in Health; but ſuch a one too often deceives himſelf. In *old Age* there is nothing but an after Taſte of all the foregoing Evils; and moſt commonly a plentiful Harveſt of all ſuch Vices, as, in the whole Courſe of their Life, hath held and poſſeſſed them. For here you have the Imbecillity and Weakneſs of Infancy, and (which is worſe) many Times accompanied with Authority: You are paid for the Exceſs and Riot of your Youth, with Gouts, Palſies, and ſuch like Diſeaſes, which take from you Limb after Limb with Pain and Torment: Here you are recompenſed for the Anxieties of Mind, the Watchings and Cares of Manhood, with Loſs of Sight, Loſs of Hearing, and of all the Senſes, one after another, except only the Senſe of Pain. Death ſeizes on every Part, to make ſure of us, as a Bailiff does of a Bad Paymaſter, that forfeits his Day of Payment. Here is nothing in us, which is not viſibly declining, except our Vices, and they not only live, but in deſpite of Nature grow young again. The *covetous* Man hath one Foot in the Grave, and yet is burying his Money, as if he had hopes to find it again another Day.——The *Ambitious*, in his Will, provides for a pompous Funeral, making his Vice to triumph, even after his Death. The Child wiſhes for Youth, and the old Man laments it; the young Man lives in hopes of the future, and this feels the Evil preſent, laments the falſe Pleaſures paſt, and ſees for the Time to come nothing to hope for: And the *old Man* is more fooliſh than the Child, in bewailing the Time he cannot recall, and remembers not the Evil that he ſuffered in it; and more wretched than the young Man, in that, after a vicious Life, and not being able any longer to live, he muſt miſerably die, ſeeing nothing round about him, but Matter of Deſpair.

I ſhall not trouble you with a long Roll of thoſe almoſt infinite Evils, wherewith Men in all Ages are afflicted, as Loſs of Friends and Parents, Baniſhments, Exiles, Diſgraces, and other Accidents, common and ordinary in the World; one complaining of loſing his Children, another of having them; one lamenting for his Wife's Death, another for her Life: One finding Fault that he is too high in Court, and others more often, that they are not high enough. The World is full of Evils, ſo that it would require a World of Time to write them in. And, if the moſt happy Man in the World ſhould ſet his Felicities againſt each other, he would ſee Cauſe enough to pronounce himſelf unhappy: Yet, perhaps, he might be accounted happy by ſome other Man; who, perhaps, if he had been but three Days in Poſſeſſion of his reputed happy State, would be glad to yield it up to him that ſhould come next. And he that ſhall conſider, in all the Goods that ever he hath had, the Evils he hath ſuffered to get them, and, having got them, to retain and keep them (I ſpeak of Pleaſures that may be kept, and not of thoſe that wither in a Moment) he will ſoon confeſs, that keeping itſelf of the greateſt Felicity in this World is full of Unhappineſs and Infelicity.

Therefore we may conclude, That Childhood is but a fooliſh Simplicity; Youth a vain Heat; Manhood, a painful Careſulneſs; and old Age, an uneaſy Languiſhing: That our Plays are but Tears; our Pleaſures, Fevers of the Mind; our Goods, Racks and Torments; our Honours, gilded Vanities; our Reſt, Inquietude: That paſſing from Age to Age is but paſſing from Evil to Evil, and from the leſs unto the greater; and that always it is but one Wave driving on another, until we be driven into the Port or Haven of Death.

AMSTERDAM, May 14.

PEOPLE here who are well acquainted with public and politic Affairs, now talk with great Certainty of the Marriage of his Daniſh Majeſty, with a Princeſs Siſter to the King of Pruſſia; and they aſſure us, that we ſhall ſhortly ſee that Match concluded. There are ſome who diſapprove of this Alliance, imagining thereby that the Party of France will be too much ſtrengthened; but theſe may be poſſibly be miſtaken; ſince we frequently now a days, ſee theſe kind of Alliances to have little or no Influence upon the political Intereſt of Princes, as the Conduct of his Poliſh Majeſty, Elector of Saxony, proves, who has entered into a Treaty of Subſidy with the Maritime Powers, tho' diametrically oppoſite to the Views of the Court of Verſailles, whoſe Heir apparent married a Daughter of that Prince; ſo that, ſhou'd his Daniſh Majeſty marry the Siſter, it would not be a neceſſary Conſequence, that he ſhould at the ſame Time eſpouſe the Intereſt of the Brother. Be that however, as it will, it's pretended that his Britannic Majeſty has been greatly inſtrumental in perſuading his Son in Law to ſupply the Place of his dear Daughter, by a Princeſs of the Houſe of Brandenburg. The accommodating Matters between the Courts of Berlin and Hanover, is one of the principal Objects of the Attention of the latter; his

his Britannic Majesty looking upon that Accommodation as the only and most speedy Means of causing the Election of a King of the Romans to be brought to a happy Conclusion, and to prevent any Violence resulting from it in the Empire: The Tranquility which it at present enjoys, his Majesty is desirous of preserving, and perpetuating by gentle and benign Methods; and by such Means this Monarch will avoid being exposed to the Reproaches which have heretofore been cast upon the Court of France, which has been but too justly accused, that when it has contributed to restore Peace, and oblige foreign Powers who were in War, to be reconciled to each other, it almost always employed for that Purpose, Remedies which proved worse than the Disease.

News have been lately received here, that the Bantams had surprized Batavia, and plundered some Quarters of that powerful City; but that the Troops of the Castle having fallen upon them, drove them out of the Town. We have yet no Particulars of this Affair.

Amsterdam, May 16. According to what appears by Letters from Hanover and Vienna, the Earl of Hyndford will be charged with negotiating the delicate Affair of reconciling the Misunderstanding which has long subsisted between the Courts of Berlin and Hanover, an Undertaking which is far from being easy to execute, since great Difficulties will unavoidably arise in uniting the Interests of the two Electoral Houses, which are at present, in so many Respects, absolutely opposite: As however, in Point of Politics, there are few Enterprizes impossible to be effected by the great Monarch who undertakes this, so it is hoped that, in Time, the Court of Hanover will accomplish the salutary Work.

Berlin, May 23. The King has received from Mr. Pollman, his Minister at Ratisbon, a full Account of the Deliberation in the Dyet about the Affair of East Friesland, and the Protest delivered by the said Minister on that Occasion; and his Majesty has just sent him fresh Orders, which are said to be extremely precise, and which cannot fail of rendering this Affair still more interesting, and worthy of the whole Germanic Body's most serious Attention.

Ratisbon, May 24. The Affair of East Friesland continues to make a great Noise. The King of Great Britain, in Quality of Elector of Hanover, having desired it should be taken in Consideration, the Dyet proceeded thereto a few Days ago. The Minister of Brandenburg, pretending he ought to have been previously acquainted with this Step, has in Consequence delivered a Protest to the States of the Empire, drawn up in very strong Terms. The Public is vastly impatient to see the Issue of this Affair.

Ratisbon, May 25. The Affair of East Friesland is still vigorously pushed in the Dyet. Since the first Steps taken on this Subject by the Electoral Envoy of Hanover, this Minister has referred to the Consideration of the Colleges of the Empire, Whether it would not be proper that on the Part of Brandenburg, the Suffrage of East Friesland should be provisionally renounced, 'til the Affair be legally settled by the Emperor in his Aulic Council? The principal Reason, on the Part of Hanover, for insisting on this, is, that the House of Brandenburg's Possession has not yet been acknowleged as valid: that it is disputed not only by the Electoral House of Brunswic, but also by collateral Pretenders to the Succession of East Friesland, such as the House of Lichtenstein, to mention no others; and that it hence follows, according to the Laws, Constitutions and Usages of the Emperor that a simple Possessor, whose Possession is moreover contested, cannot have a Seat nor Vote in the Colleges of the Empire, without infringing the same Laws, Usages, and Constitutions.

LONDON.

March 30. They write from France, that in Pursuance of a Royal Order, the Prostitutes in Paris, and other great Cities, are taken off the Streets, and sent to the Plantations; and that various Encouragements have been devised to promote Marriage amongst common People; to which, from the Hardships in their Way of Living, they are not naturally inclin'd. Some of the principal Academies have been likewise desir'd to propose Rewards for the best Discourses on Behalf of Industry; and to shew that Poverty is rarely the Lot of any, except those that seek it.

April 10. Yesterday Afternoon, a Man dressed in a Plaid Night Gown, a Scarlet Waistcoat, black Velvet Breeches, white Stockings, and a clean Shirt, walked up Drury Lane and down Queen Street, and various other Parts of the Town, with a treasonable Inscription on his Hat. He is said to be the same Person who a few Months ago was committed for prophesying his Majesty's being poisoned, and was afterwards discharged for Lunacy.

April 11. On Friday John Jackson, alias Nicholas Meony, and John Jones, were brought to the Bar; they were arraigned for robbing Mr. Samuel Rich, and and Mr. Shiercliff, Clerk to Mr. Wraxall, of two Watches, and several Pieces of Money, Gold and Silver. Jackson gave the Court but little Trouble, by pleading Guilty, agreeable to his Intention for several Days past: Confessed his having been a very wicked Man, and had committed other Crimes besides the above; that he had been an Officer in the Rebel Army, &c. John Jones absolutely denied his having any Concerns with Jackson in the above Robberies, or any other: That he had liv'd five Years in London, and never had a bad Character.——Both Guilty.

We are informed that Jackson, while in the Pen at Guildhall, went to Jones, and shook him by the Hand, and told him, "He hop'd they should meet in Heaven together;" on which Jones, who is much irritated at the other's being the Instrument of his present unhappy Circumstances, answered, "He did not care where he went, so as he did not go along with him." Some Time after Jackson went to him again, and spoke in the same Manner; when Jones made a second Reply, "That he did not care if he went to the D——l, so he did not go with him."

April 17. The Utrecht Gazette informs the World, that "Though his Majesty, in Quality of Elector of Hanover, has reserved his Claims to East Friesland on all Occasions that required such Reservation, he is not the less disposed to refer this Difference to a legal and impartial Tribunal that may give Sentence between him and the King of Prussia, in Regard to the Right of Possession of the said Principality, to the End that this Affair being also settled, nothing may obstruct the salutary Arrangements which his Majesty is taken up with for the Good of the Empire"——Upon which it may be observed, that the Aulic Council, before whom one of the Parties would fain bring this Affair, may be just as impartial as the Court of Vienna pleases; and if the other Party refuses to have his Pretensions to East Frizeland canvassed by that Tribunal, how must the Affair be decided? The King of Prussia has already objected to the said Tribunal; therefore he must either recant, or the Affair must lie dormant, or be entirely dropt; especially as he gave very broad Hints, previous to the Memorial delivered by the Hanoverian Minister to the Dyet of the Empire in February last, that though Judgment should be procured against him, he would nevertheless find Ways and Means to keep Possession of East Friesland. However, let us hope that these Difficulties will easily be got over, though we can't readily guess by what Means.

May 2. Yesterday Col. Hopton set out, in order to embark for Nova Scotia; being appointed Governor there, in the Room of Col. Cornwallis, who is come to England.

Our Merchants have received Advice from Amsterdam, that a Dutch East India Ship, called the Fidelity, was arrived in the Texel, having on board 350000 lb. of Coffee of Java, 536000 lb. of Tea, 60000 lb. Wood of Japan, &c.

May 7. It is said, that Commodore Saunders, who has hoisted his Flag on board the Penzance, and is to protect the Fishery on the Banks, and at the Isle of Newfoundland, has Instructions to look out once more for the Island in the Latitude 49 Deg. 30 Min. of which the World has heard so much, and seen so little.

Our Correspondent at Paris acquaints us, that some People give out, the Court has actually received Advice of the Surrender of Trichenapali, in the East Indies, but that is attended with Circumstances which at this Juncture render it improper for the public Ear.

May 11. Yesterday it was reported, that an Account was come from Gibraltar, that the Spanish Troops had made such Motions, as indicated they had an Intention to lay Siege to that Place, and that the Governor, apprehensive of such a Proceedure, had sent an Express to the Commandant of Port Mahon, to send him what Troops and Artillery he could spare.——How this Intelligence came is very uncertain, and we hope it's without Foundation.

May 11. By a Letter from Suffolk we have an Account, that Gangs of Fellows, consisting of 15 or 20, suppoled to be Smugglers, go about armed and disguised, and beset neighbouring Gentlemens Houses, which they plunder, and carry off their Effects, after using them in a very cruel Manner, one of whom they were going to behead.

May 16. We are informed from Paris that the Manufactory of China is to be promoted and established to a very great Height; they expect in that City from London some of the greatest Artists and best working Hands of our China Manufactories, by which they will be enabled to fix their own. In which we shall fulfil the Fable, that we are Cat's Paw for the Benefit of Strangers.

May 21. Letters from Spain and Oporto mention, that Trade is prodigious bad, that the Markets are so glutted with English Woollen Goods, that they are sold 20 per Cent. under prime Cost; and that there are more Goods now at their Markets, than will be sold these 15 Months, occasioned by the large Quantity of French Woollen Goods. If our Trade is not better conducted, what will our Farmers do with their Wool, which is now fallen in Price 30s. a Pack? And if our Trade is not better taken Care of, our Wool will be worth very little; a melancholy Thing to think of,——the Bulwark of our Country.

Great Quantities of Corn being daily exported from hence into foreign Parts, has considerably risen the Price thereof in several Parts of the Country, altho' there are Prospects of fine Crops the ensuing Season.

On Tuesday last an extraordinary Affair happened in Goswell Street: A Fellow who drove a Cart, sitting on the Copse drinking with several others, saw his Wife, whom he had left for another Woman, some Years, through the Window of an opposite House, ironing Linnen: Upon which he swore the most horrible Oaths, that he would murder her that Night, for he hated her; but at that Instant the Horses took Fright, and gave a sudden Start that threw him under the Wheel, which ran along his Body and over his Head, and tore him all to Pieces in the most miserable Manner; so that the Sounds of his Words were scarce heard, when he could utter no more.

Extract of a Letter from Paris, May 26, *N. S.*

"From electrical Experiments perform'd by our most consummate Naturalists, in pursuance of those by Mr. Franklin, in Philadelphia, to find whether the tonitruous and electrical Matter be not analogous; it appears that to fix on the highest Part of Buildings or Ships, sharp pointed Iron Bars of ten or twelve Feet, and gilt to prevent Rust, with a Wire hanging down on the Outside to the Ground, or about one of the Ship's Shrouds, is a Preservation against Thunder. The Sieur Dalibard having placed in a Garden at Marly, an Iron Bar on an electrical Body at the Height of 40 Feet, was inform'd, that on the 10th of May, about twenty Minutes after Two, a Tempest passing over that Spot, the Parish Priest and other Persons, drew from the Bar such Sparks and Agitations, as are seen in the common electrical Performances.

Portsmouth, New Hampshire, July 23.

We had last Night as severe a Thunder Storm as ever was known in America:——There was distant Thunder from the Sea, heard all Day, and a black Cloud observed to rise from the Eastern Board very gradually, which came over us about 6 o'Clock P. M. and covered the whole Hemisphere, and so continued (there being scarce any Wind) 'til about Midnight, with incessant, and extremely severe Thunder and Lightning, and great Rain:——The whole Atmosphere seemed to be in a Blaze, with the un intermitting Coruscations, and as terrible Thunder Claps as were ever heard; so that the whole Town seemed to be coming down about our Ears; and expected every Moment to see some Part of it in Flames (as we then saw a great Fire upon Kittery Side, which we hear was a Barn burnt: But thro' the great Goodness of God, we've sustained but little Damage.——The Main Mast of a Schooner at the North End was struck by the Lightning; and altho' the Mast is shiver'd to Pieces by it (and the other Mast ruin'd by the Shock) 'til it came to a Ring that encompassed it (which it melted a little); yet below that Ring there is no Effects of it.——A plain Proof of the Electric Nature of Lightning.

BOSTON, July 27.

Wednesday last we had here very severe Thunder, and the sharpest Lightning that has been known for many Years past, which continued from about Noon, 'til ten o'Clock at Night, almost without Intermission, attended with much Rain. The Damage done by the Lightning (so far as is come to our Knowlege) is as follows, viz. The Block House on Governor's Island was struck, and pretty much shattered;——at Braintree a valuable Horse and an Hog were killed, and a large Tree in Milton Woods shiver'd to Pieces like a Broom.——At Nantasket a new Vessel on the Stocks was struck, and received a great deal of Damage; and several Persons being on board at the same Time ran to a House for Shelter, but were no sooner enter'd, than a Flash of Lightning came in, and stunned them for a Time, split the Stock of a Gun that was hanging up, made a Hole thro' the Chimney,

Chimney, and did some Damage to the outside of the House.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 24.

On Monday last the famous TOM BELL, after staying here four Days, left this Place without Moleſtation, intending for his School in Hanover. ——— If this Man, after the many Pranks he has play'd, is really ſincere in his Profeſſions of Reformation, and his Intention of living an honeſt and induſtrious Life, it may perhaps be a Surprize to many, who are apt to ſay, *Can the Æthiopian change his Skin, or the Leopard his Spots; then alſo may he do Good that has been accuſtomed to do Evil.*

ANNAPOLIS.

On the 14th Inſtant, one of the Inſpectors at *Chaptico* had one of his Legs ſo cruſh'd by a Hogſhead of Tobacco, that he was obliged to have it cut off.

One Day laſt Week the Houſe of *George Tubb*, in *St. Mary's* County, took Fire whilſt himſelf and Family were at ſome Diſtance on the Plantation, and was burnt down to the Ground, by which Accident a Negro Child was burnt to Death, and all the Furniture, &c. conſumed.

By the laſt Ship from *London*, we have an Account of the Death of Mr. PHILEMON HEMSLY, in the *Temple*, of the Small Pox. His Body was very decently buried in the *Temple Church*, and on his Tomb Stone is the following Inſcription:

Here lies inter'd the Remains of Philemon Hemſly, *of* Queen Anne's *County in* Maryland, *Eſq;*
A Member of the Society of the Middle Temple,
Who largely and uſefully poſſeſs'd
An Innate Probity of Mind,
Unaffected Rectitude of Manners,
Diſintereſted Humanity,
And,
Univerſal Benevolence,
As the genuine Reſult of his Moral Senſe:
And to a penetrating fertile Genius,
Joined an unwearied Application.
Theſe, his natural Endowments,
Were confirmed,
By an early Judgment, and an
Honeſt Heart,
And in Defiance of an Age of
Licentious Levity,
And powerful patronizing Example,
Bravely maintained,
His Integrity to GOD *and Man;*
And finiſhed a Life
(On the 12th of May, 1752*)*;
Of Twenty four Years
An exemplary Pattern of virtuous Excellence.

By Permiſſion of his Honour the PRESIDENT,

AT the New THEATRE, in *Upper Marlborough*, by the Company of COMEDIANS from *Annapolis*, on Thurſday next, being the 14th of *September*, (at the Requeſt of the Antient and Honourable Society of FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS,) will be perform'd

THE

BEGGAR'S OPERA:

With Inſtrumental Muſic to each Air, given by a Set of private Gentlemen:

AND

"*A* SOLO *on the* FRENCH HORN:"

ALSO

A MASON's SONG by Mr. *Woodham*; with a Grand CHORUS.

To which will be added a Farce call'd

The LYING VALET.

Tickets to be be had at Mr. *Benjamin Barry*'s. PIT 7*s*. 6*d*. GALLERY 5*s*.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,

At Mr. Thomas Chitham's, *at* Bladenſburg, *on the laſt Saturday in* September *next, for good Bills of Exchange, Current Money, or Tobacco.*

A Choice Parcel of Land, being Part of a Tract called *Clagett's Purchaſe*, containing 286 Acres, lying on *Rock Creek* in *Frederick* County; about 60 Acres whereof is cleared, and under a good Fence; with a young Orchard, and other Improvements. For further Particulars, enquire of Mr. *Chriſtopher Lowndes* at *Bladenſburg*, or the Subſcriber on the Premiſſes.

Charles Clagett.

Mr. Lowndes

Auguſt 26, 1752.

THE Subſcriber hereby gives public Notice to all Maſters of Ships, and other Sea Veſſels, bound to the Northern Parts of *Cheſapeak* Bay, and purpoſing to Trade, or take in their Lading, in any of the Ports or Rivers thereof, within the Limits aſſign'd to his Charge; that he is appointed by the Honourable the Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms in *London*, Collector of his Majeſty's Duties, in the following Diſtrict; *viz.* From the River of *Cheſter* on the Eaſtern Shore, and round the Head of the ſaid Bay, to the River of *Patapſco*, incluſive on the Weſtern Shore: And he being duly qualified, according to Law, to execute his Office, requires all ſuch Maſters or Commanders, to make due Entry and Clearance of their reſpective Ships, or Sea Veſſels, and perform all other legal Requiſites, at his Office in *New Town* on *Cheſter* River; or with his Deputy, Mr. *William Lux*, at *Patapſco*; where conſtant and regular Attendance ſhall be given.

James Sterling.

TEN PISTOLES Reward.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, on the 16th of this Inſtant *Auguſt*, a Convict Servant Man, named *Joſeph Rainbird*, a Joyner and Cabinet Maker by Trade, about 5 Feet 9 Inches high, fair Complexion, well proportioned, little pitted with the Small Pox, ſmooth tongued, and has a very ſly inſinuating Manner of expreſſing himſelf; and writes a very legible Hand. He is the ſame Fellow who formerly ran away from me, with a Bricklayer, and were apprehended on *Kent-Iſland*, and committed to *Queen-Anne's* County Goal. He had on when he went away, a black Cloth Jacket, an Oſnabrigs Shirt, a Pair of Buck-ſkin Breeches, a Pair of grey Worſted Stockings, a whitiſh coloured Fuſtian Frock with broad plain Metal Buttons, which has a ſmall round Cuff, and greaſy about the Breaſt, a Holland Waiſtcoat, a Linnen Handkerchief, a Pair of Pumps, and a Pair of Silver Sleeve Buttons.

Whoever apprehends the ſaid Servant, and delivers him to his Maſter, at the Naval Office in *Charles* County, *Maryland*, ſhall receive TEN PISTOLES Reward from

Richard Lee.

N. B. 'Tis ſuppoſed he will endeavour to get to *Philadelphia*, or the *Jerſeys*.

Kent County, *Auguſt*, 1752.

RAN away from the Subſcribers of *Cheſter-Town*, *Maryland*, two Servant Men; one named *Richard Barrett*, an *Iriſhman*, has a little of the Brogue, is a complaiſant pallavering Fellow, about 6 Feet high, ſpare, but large boned, long Viſage, Pock Fretten, between 50 and 60 Years of Age, dark grey Head and Beard, and is by Trade a Houſe Carpenter. Had on when he went away, a Check Shirt, Oſnabrigs Trowſers, Yarn Stocking, and a Pair of Shoes new ſoled. He has been in the Army in *Flanders*, and talks much on the Subject.

The other named *William Selvan*, an *Engliſhman*, a ſhort thick Fellow, of a ſwarthy Complexion, has a large Scar upon his left Jaw, and another near his left Eye, which have occaſioned a very great Twiſt of his Face to that Side; is very talkative, but fooliſh. Had on and took with him, a light Country Cloth Coat, a brown *Whitney* Waiſtcoat with white Sleeves, a white Waiſtcoat with ſlaſh Sleeves, a Pair of Leather Breeches, a Pair of white Fuſtian Breeches, a Pair of Oſnabrigs Trowſers, a Pair of white Cotton Stockings, two Oſnabrigs Shirts, and a very ſmall Caſtor Hat. Whoever ſhall take up the ſaid Runaways, and bring them to either of the Subſcribers, ſhall have Four Pounds Reward, beſides what the Law allows, if taken in *Maryland*; and Five Piſtoles, if taken out of the Province; or one half of the above Reward, for either of them, paid by

John Bordley,
Kinwin Wroth.

STOLEN or Strayed from *Kingſbury* Furnace, in *Baltimore* County, on Saturday the 15th of this Inſtant, a middle ſiz'd bright Bay Cart Horſe, ſhod all round, has a long Tail, is low in Fleſh, and branded on the near Buttock G K, or C K; he is alſo branded on the Shoulder, but the Bread forgot. Whoever brings him to the ſaid Furnace, ſhall have Twenty Shillings Reward.

Anthony Rhodes.

Annapolis, Auguſt 27, 1752.

WHEREAS ſundry Perſons within this City, have and ſtill continue, not only frequently to deal with, but do daily employ my Houſe Negro Fellows, in any Work they will undertake, without my Licenſe for ſo doing, to the great Detriment and Neglect of my Buſineſs: This is therefore to forewarn all Perſons from having any Manner of Dealings, or to any Ways employ, harbour, or ſuffer the ſaid Negro Fellows in their Houſes, without Leave of the Subſcriber, or they may depend, on being detected, that they will be proceeded againſt as the Law directs.

John Bullen.

To be RUN for,

At UPPER MARLBOROUGH, *in* Prince George's *County*,

ON Tueſday the 17th of *October* next, the Sum of THIRTY POUNDS Currency, by any Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, carrying 126 *lb.* Weight; and to pay Thirty Shillings Entrance Money. And,

On Wedneſday the 18th of *October*, will be Run for, at the ſame Place, Twenty Pounds Currency, to carry 126 *lb.* Weight, and to pay Twenty Shillings Entrance: The winning Horſe the Day before to be excepted.

The Horſes, &c. to be Entered each Day of Running, by 10 o' Clock in the Forenoon, either with *Benjamin Brooks* or *Benjamin Barry*.

All Diſputes, if any ſhould ariſe, to be determined by Meſſieurs *Clement Hill* and *Baſil Waring*.

CORNELIUS HOWARD,

HAVING ſet up the Buſineſs of a Blackſmith and Whiteſmith in the City of *Annapolis*, at the Shop where Mr. *Thomas Williamſon* lately carried on the ſaid Buſineſs, hereby gives Notice, that all Perſons, who ſhall be pleaſed to employ him, may have any Sort of Work done in the cheapeſt and beſt Manner, and with the greateſt Expedition.

He alſo carries on the Farrier's Buſineſs, having engaged *John Miles*, late Foreman of Mr. *Roberts*'s Shop: All Gentlemen who have Occaſion to have any Thing done in that Way, may depend on being faithfully ſerved by

Their humble Servant,
Cornelius Howard.

N. B. The ſaid *Howard* keeps the Standard Weights and Meaſures belonging to this County.

Auguſt 17, 1752.

PRINCE GEORGE's County School being now vacant; any Perſon qualified as the Law directs, to ſerve as Maſter therein, may apply to the Viſitors, who have appointed the firſt Tueſday in *October* next, to meet at the ſaid School. Signed *per* Order,

James Beck, Reg.

WHEREAS there is a Vacancy for a Maſter, in *Queen Anne's* County School: Any Perſon profeſſing himſelf a Member of the Church of *England*, and capable of teaching Grammar, Mathematics, Arithmetic, and good Writing, applying to the Viſitors of ſaid School, will meet with as much Encouragement as the Law relating to Free Schools will ſupport them in. Signed *per* Order,

Nathan Wright, Reg.

Charles County, *Auguſt* 13, 1752.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Veſtrymen and Churchwarders of *Trinity* Pariſh, will meet at the Church of the ſaid Pariſh, at *Newport* in *Charles* County, on Tueſday the 3d of *October* next, to agree with Workmen, or others, who ſhall be willing to undertake to build a good and commodious Church, for the Uſe of the Inhabitants of the ſaid Pariſh.

Signed *per* Order of ſaid Veſtry, &c.

Samuel Emory, Regiſter.

To be Sold by the Subſcriber,

PART of a Tract of Land, call'd *Chriſtopher's Camp*, lying on the North Side of *Patapſco* River, containing Two Hundred and Fifty Acres. For Particulars, Enquire of *Iſaac Johns*.

ON

ON Monday the 16th of *October* next, will be Run for, at the House of *John Hammond*, on *Elk Ridge*, the Sum of Eight Pounds, by any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, (the *English* Horse, Mare, or their Breed, excepted,) to carry 110 Pounds Weight, and to run three Heats, two Miles each Heat: To pay Fifteen Shillings each Horse, *&c.* Entrance Money.

On Tuesday the 17th will be Run for, at the same Place, a Saddle; three Heats, two Miles each Heat, to carry the same Weight, and to pay Ten Shillings Entrance Money. And,

On Wednesday the 18th, will likewise be Run for a Saddle; to run three Heats, twice round the Poles to a Heat; Weight and Entrance Money the same as on the Day before.

The Horses, *&c.* which are to run the first Day, to be Entered with the said *Hammond*, two Days before they run; and those which are to run the second and third Days, to be entered the Day before they run,

If any Disputes should arise the same are to be determined by Capt. *Nicholas Gassaway* and Mr. *Joseph Hall*.

The Horses, *&c.* to have 15 Minutes allowed, between every two Heats, for Rubbing.

To Be Sold by Public Vendue,

On the Second Tuesday of the ensuing Provincial Court, in ANNAPOLIS,

BY the Subscriber, Executor of *William Cumming*, late of the City of *Annapolis*, Esq; deceased, for the Use of the Creditors of the said *William*, the following Tracts of Land; *viz.*

In ANNE ARUNDEL *County*,

One Tract of Land, called *Rooker's Range*, containing 500 Acres;

One Tract called *Gray's Bower*, containing 100 Acres;

One Tract called *Presley*, containing 417 Acres.

In FREDERICK *County*,

Part of a Tract of Land called *Accord*, containing 100 Acres;

Part of a Tract called *Amsterdam*, containing 80 Acres;

Part of a Tract called *Preston's March*, containing 650 Acres;

One Tract called *Norway*, containing 630 Acres

One Tract called *Barber's Beginning*, containing 100 Acres;

One Tract called *Drum Mine*, containing 630 Acres.

AS ALSO

The late Dwelling House of the said *William Cumming*, in *Annapolis*, pleasantly situated on *Severn* River.

The Subscriber hereby gives Notice to the Creditors of the Estate aforesaid, that he is apprehensive that the Lands aforesaid, when sold, will fall short in paying the Debts due: And as there are several Tracts of Land claimed by the said Estate on contestable Titles, he will attend at the late Dwelling House of the said *William Cumming*, on Monday preceding the Day of Sale, to agree upon some Method to recover the said Lands.

William Cumming.

To be Sold, or Let,

A LEASE of 21 Years, of the Plantation where Mr. *Henry Darnall, junior*, lately liv'd, lying in *Prince George's* County, containing 200 Acres; with a good Dwelling House, Garden, Out Houses, and Tobacco Houses, all in good Repair. For the Terms, apply to

Samuel Roundell.

Just Imported from London,

In the Ship Tryton, *Capt.* Thomas Askew, *by the Subscriber, and to be Sold at his Store in* Annapolis,

A SORTABLE Parcel of *European* and *East India* Goods, at reasonable Rates, by Wholesale and Retale. Also a sortable Parcel of Cordage, Cables from 4 Inches to 9 Inches, Log Lines, Lead Lines, Deep Sea Lines, Sewing and Bolt Rope Twine, Okum, Compasses, Glasses, Sail Cloth from N°. 2 to N°. 7, Anchors, Grapnels, and Ballast Shovels, at reasonable Rates, for Gold, Silver, Paper Money, or Bills of Exchange.

Nicholas Maccubbin.

RAN away on the 12th of last *July*, at Night, from the Subscriber, living at the Head of *Pamunkey* in *Charles* County a Convict Servant Man, named *John Fall*, about 22 or 23 Years of Age, a tall slim thin faced Man, has a Mole under his left Eye; it is supposed he has forged a Pass. Had on an old brown Coat, a yellow Jacket without Sleeves, a Check Shirt, and coarse Osnabrigs Trowsers, but will doubtless change his Apparel. He had short curl'd brown Hair, and a sandy Beard. He pretends to be a Painter and Glazier, and I suppose will make for *Philadelphia*. Whoever takes up the said Servant, and secures him so that he may be had again, shall have Thirty Shillings Reward, besides what the Law allows, and reasonable Charges, paid by

John Sims.

WHEREAS Mr. *Vachel Denton*, by Virtue of a Power of Attorney (given him by Mr. *William Hunt*, Merchant, in *London*), has substituted me to transact that Business. I hereby give Notice, that constant Attendance will be given at my Store in *Annapolis*, where I hope immediate Payments will be made of all Debts due to the said Mr. *Hunt*.

Lancelot Jacques.

ALL Persons who are indebted to the Subscriber on his own Account, are desired to make speedy Payment, as the Time of his Departure for *England* draws near.

L. J.

To be Sold very reasonably,

At the Plantation of the late Rev. Mr. Henderson, *deceased, in* Prince George's *County*,

TWO very fine breeding Mares, of the *Barbary* Breed; with two young Mare Colts, foaled this Spring: Also, two promising Horse Colts, a Year old, not cut, which were got by the late Governor's fine *English* Horse.

This is to give NOTICE,

THAT the Subscriber intends to set up the Wire working Business, in the City of *Annapolis*; where all Persons may be served in making of Sieves, Screens, Safes, Larders, Aviaries, wiring of Windows, *&c.*

He has to dispose of sundry *European* Goods; *viz.* choice Mahogony Bureaus, Ladies Dressing-Tables, Tea Tables with Filligrean Works, Tea Chests, with Canisters, Backgammon Tables compleat, large Sconces, Looking-Glasses in carved and gilt Frames, Copper Utensils, Cutlery Ware, fine Holland Linnen, Scarlet Cloth, Silver mounted Swords, and Gold and Steel wrought mounted ditto.

James Jolly.

To be Sold by the Subscriber,

For Sterling, Gold, or Current Money, and, if required, reasonable Time given for Payment, on good Security,

THE three following Tracts or Parcels of Land; *viz.*

Part of a Tract of Land called *Snowden's Reputation Supported*, containing 507 Acres, situated near the Head of *South* River, being the Plantation where Capt. *George Bell* now lives; it is within 8 Miles of four Warehouses; *viz. Indian* Landing, *Howard's* Point, *Taylor's* Landing, and *Queen Anne*.

265 Acres of Land lying on *Elk Ridge*, and adjoining to Mr. *Alexander Warfield's* Land, the Rev. Mr. *James M'Gill's*, and *William Coates's*; it being the Plantation whereon Mr. *William Thomas Benson* now lives.

236 Acres of Land, situated near the Mouth of *Monocksy* in *Frederick* County, being Part of a Tract called *Gander's Delight*, and adjoining to the Manor of *Charles Carroll*, Esq; having on it a Dwelling House and Kitchen almost new, and a young Orchard; a great Part of the Land is fine rich Bottom, and lies near Capt. *William Griffith's* and *Garret Davis's*.

Any Person inclinable to purchase, may apply to either of the above Persons, who will shew the Lines of the said Lands.

Richard Snowden.

RAN away from the *Patapsco* Iron-Works, on the first of *July* last, a *Dutch* Servant Man belonging to *Charles Carroll*, Esq; and Company, named *Michael Hollingshoe*, alias *Holshoe*; he went away on Horseback, having with him two Horses, one of them of a Roan Colour, the Colour of the other uncertain, but supposed a Bay; he was seen between *Patapsco* and *Annapolis*, and is supposed to be gone towards *Virginia*. He had on a blue Coat trimmed with white Metal Buttons, a cock'd Hat, and is dress'd in the *Dutch* Manner: He has a Gun with him, which he carries sometimes slung at his Back: He is a down-looking Fellow, of a middle Size, with thick Lips and black Hair, and I think black Eyes, a brown Complexion, and speaks bad *English*.

Whoever secures the said Servant in any Goal, so that he may be had again, shall have Three Pounds Reward, and reasonable Charges, paid by

Richard Croxall.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,

At Queen Anne *Town, in* Prince George's *County, on the first Saturday in* September *next, which will be the sixteenth Day of the Month, at XII of the Clock*,

THE following Tracts of Land, lying in *Frederick* County; *viz.*

One Tract, called *Friendship*, containing 400 Acres.

One Tract, called *Gordon's Purchase*, containing 150 Acres.

One Tract, called *Exchange*, containing 700 Acres.

Also, A Lease for three Lives of a Tract of Land, called *Fountain Rock Marsh*, containing 500 Acres, being Part of his Lordship's Manor, lying in the said County, paying a yearly Quit Rent of Fifty Shillings Sterling.

Credit will be given (if required) for one half of the Purchase Money: For Title and other Terms, enquire of

James Dick.

To be Leased, Rented, or Sold,

THE Houses, Lots, and Improvements in *London Town*, where the late Mr. *West* lived and kept Ferry; as also several good Boats, *&c.* Likewise to be rented a Lease of 100 Acres of Land, lying in the *Swamp*, on *Herring Bay*. Any Persons inclinable to agree for any of the Premises, may apply to the Subscriber, at his Store in *Annapolis*: Where may be had, great Variety of *European* and *East India* Goods, *Barbadoes* Rum, *Muscovado* Sugar, Cordage, Cables, Anchors, Sail Cloth, Ship Chandlery, *&c. &c.* at the very lowest Prices, for Bills of Exchange, Gold, Sterling, Paper Currency, or Tobacco.

Stephen West.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of Mr. *Stephen West*, late of *London-Town*, deceased, are desired to pay their respective Ballances: And those who have any Demands against the said Estate, are requested to bring in their Accounts to

Stephen West, Executor.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *Annapolis*, on the 23d of *May* last a Convict Servant Woman, named *Hannah Boyer*, about 23 or 24 Years of Age, pitted much with the Small-Pox, has a Scar in one of her Eye Brows, not very tall, but a very strong, fresh coloured, robust, masculine Wench. She had on and took with her, a blue Jacket, an old whitish Cloak, a brown Petticoat, a double Mobb, an Osnabrigs Shift, a small striped check'd Apron, a Plaid Petticoat, and Night Gown, no Shoes nor Stockings; but without doubt will change her Cloathing; she had a Horse Lock and Chain on one of her Legs. Whoever takes up the said Servant, and brings her home, shall have Forty Shillings Reward, if taken in *Annapolis*; if taken in the Province, Four Pounds, and reasonable Charges; if taken out of the Province Five Pounds and reasonable Charges, paid by

Daniel Wells.

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